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Sleepover @ the Library

Sleepovers at the library can be lots of fun and the way we do it at Locust Valley Library is this:

During the Summer Reading Club we give the children a raffle for the sleepover each time they come in to report on a book. We offer the raffle for the first three weeks of the six week program, knowing that the date for the sleepover will be during the fifth week.

The children must be in second grade or 7 years old to participate in the sleepover raffle and must have parent permission.

The raffle is picked one week before the sleepover date and the winner is called immediately.

The winner chooses 5 friends for the sleepover.(6 children total)

The information and instructions are given to the winning parent. We tell the parent to:

-Have the child arrive at the library at 6pm
-Bring their sleeping bags, flashlights, pillows, pjs, toothbrush
-Pizza, Ice cream, popcorn, and juice/water is supplied
-The winning child chooses a movie from our collection
-The parent is asked to supply 6 white t-shirts for tye-dying
-The parent is asked to bring bagels for breakfast
-Pick-up time is 8am!

When the children arrive, myself, another library staff employee and two teen volunteers are the supervisors for the evening.

Activities are as follows:

-Pizza and drink for dinner
-Tie-dye T shirts (wrapping w/rubberbands and dye outdoors)
-Craft (beads or nailpolish for girls) (pearl-a-beads for boys)
-Ice Cream

-Scavenger hunt –while the children are making their craft or eating their ice cream, the teen volunteers go into our adult stacks and hide glow in the dark stars or figures. (We ask them to hide them easily so they can be found) By this time it is dark. We split up the kids into two teams and with flashlights, they roam the library in the dark, finding all the glowing stars. The team with the most stars is the winning team. (No prize is given but they do keep their loot!)

-Movie is shown. By this time, usually about 9:30/10pm, we start the movie on our big screen in the community and the children lay out their sleeping bags on the floor and watch a movie (last year was Night at the Museum) and we make them popcorn.

-After the movie, (about 11:30pm)we wheel the TV into our storytime corner where they will be sleeping and let the children watch another movie to fall asleep to.

We then try to get them settled. They usually do and although I sleep with one eye open, it is a fun evening for all.

Materials to get in advance of Sleepover:

Glow in the dark Stars or other (usually about 100 pieces)
Dye for Tie-Dying
Rubberbands, plastic gloves and buckets for dye
Craft for 8 (we usually let the volunteers participate if they want)
Food:
- Pizza to be delivered
- Juice/Water
- Ice Cream
- Popcorn

Nightlights -2

Student_____

Class/Teacher_____

Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that your child's artwork is now being displayed at the Locust Valley Public Library for the month of _____. The creativity of our students during these early years is much to be proud of.

Please stop in at your convenience during library hours to view the community children's artwork which is located in the east hall of the "Donna Goldberger Children's Library."

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Mrs. Ettinger
Locust Valley Art Teacher

Locust Valley Library
Reading Basket

The Locust Valley Library's Children's Services will be happy to deliver a basket of reading fun to your house if your child is home-bound by illness.

Please call the Children's Room @ 671-1837 and ask for Kristine Piana. Give your name, address and the age of your child. Each reading basket will have a special book for your child to keep. The basket and other library materials should be returned by their due date.

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